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Hechinger Mall Safeway manager Rossi Coffield looks on as Grace Stephenson, Rent-A-Teen's executive director, passes the Gallaudet Community Relations Council's Community Service Award to ninth grader Banham Taylor, who represented Rent-A-Teen members, March 31 at GCRC's 11th Annual Awards Program.

## Campus-wide retreat on April 17 to focus on communication issues

Plans are being finalized for Gallaudet's day-long retreat on April 17, where the entire campus community will take a break from regular daily activities to focus on issues related to communication.

The campus-wide retreat, called "Signs of Change," will begin with staff or department breakfast meetings. Lunch will also be provided for all participants.

The day will enable the Gallaudet community to focus on three major areas: signing, competency, and establishing a bilingual/multicultural environment. The day will be structured like a conference, and participants can choose from a variety of activities that

will occur simultaneously.

All Kendall Green, Northwest Campus, and MSSD students, faculty, and staff are expected to participate. Kendall School and the Child Development Center will remain open, but efforts are being made to allow those faculty and staff to participate in some of the day's events. Participants from the Northwest Campus will be bused to Gallaudet.

Everyone should be receiving a schedule of the day's activities in the mail this week. Ads are being broadcast on Gallaudet's cable TV system, and supervisors and budget unit heads should also have information about the day.

## Gallaudet proves helpful to Chinese

A spokesman from a delegation of special education officials from China who spent last month at Gallaudet and other area schools getting information in order to improve special education programs in their nation termed the visit "very successful."

"Before coming here, I didn't have a true picture of what Gallaudet is like," said Guo Chen Li, chief of elementary education of the Liaoning Provincial Education Commission. "Now, I have a good idea about special education in the U.S."

"Also, our friendship has become a reality. The students and employees have been very kind to us," Li added.

The four visitors were part of the USA/China Teacher Education Consortium, through which a group of 35 U.S. institutions from 13 states has established ties with teacher education

institutions in four Chinese provinces.

In 1987, Gallaudet's School of Education and Human Services was invited to set up a sister institution relationship with the Liaoning Normal School of Special Education, a teacher training college. In addition to the delegation's visit here, two Gallaudet educators, Dr. Philip Schmitt and Dr. Robert Mobley of Gallaudet's Department of Education, spent three weeks last fall giving lectures to teachers of deaf students at the Normal School.

"Special education is the weakest of all forms of education in China," said Li. "Our government has pointed clearly that this situation must change."

The visitors explained that before the liberation of the People's Republic of China in 1949, life for Chinese people who had any form of disability was a bleak one. No education was available

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## GCRC honors 28 at 11th Annual Awards and Recognition Program

The Gallaudet Community Relations Council (GCRC) held its 11th Annual Awards and Recognition Program March 31 in the MSSD Auditorium.

The program honored 17 organizations with community service awards and 11 others with awards in the areas of community outreach, economic development, outreach ministry, academics and the annual benefit basketball game.

An Individual Achievement Award went to Gallaudet engineer Jack Jagtiani, and \$550 in proceeds from GCRC's benefit basketball game went to the MSSD Theatre Arts Department.

A special award went to GCRC member Cornell Jackson of Near Northeast Meals on Wheels in recognition of her more than 10 years on the council.

"This year's program was different than those in past years because of the

evident youth involvement," said LaVarne Hines, director of the Office of Administrative and Community Services, which coordinates the GCRC. "This is really encouraging."

The GCRC was founded in 1975 to strengthen relationships between the University and community and business leaders. This year's awards program was emceed by Candy Shannon of WHUR radio and included a welcome by President King Jordan. D.C. Council Members Harry Thomas and Hilda Mason were among those who presented the awards.

Businesses that supported the GCRC this year include American Security Bank, C&P Telephone, Hospitality Community Federal Credit Union, Madison National Bank of Washington, National Bank of Washington, Riggs National Bank, and Safeway Stores, Inc.



Astrid Goodstein, executive director of Enrollment Services, talks with President King Jordan and Joe Dennis ('78) after Dennis' lecture, the third in a series celebrating Gallaudet's 125th anniversary.

## Alumnus says business program heading in the right direction

Gallaudet University's business education program is heading in the right direction, Joe Dennis, Class of '78, told a crowd that gathered in Ely Auditorium March 22 for his lecture on Gallaudet's Agenda for the Future in Business."

"I look at Gallaudet now and wonder if I should enter Gallaudet today," said Dennis, co-founder and president of DawnSign Press, a Berkeley, Calif., publishing company that concentrates on sign language books, games, videos, and educational materials. "I envy today's students," he said.

When Dennis received his bachelor's degree in sociology with a minor in business, Gallaudet offered only a few business courses, and no business major.

"Students came to Gallaudet thinking they could be teachers or counselors," he said. But Dennis, whose grandpar-

ents and deaf parents owned their own businesses, had different ideas.

"My father really encouraged me to have my own business. I grew up knowing that I wanted to establish my own business," said Dennis. So he took all the business courses Gallaudet offered and filled in the gaps in his business education with part-time jobs in the bookstore (which now sells his books) and The Abbey.

"Gallaudet needs to continue to make those job opportunities available to students to give them the experience of the working world," he said.

The University must also promote the entrepreneurial spirit among its students, said Dennis, by convincing them that they can accomplish anything they set their minds to and by helping them recognize the business opportunities available in their out-of-class activities.

# Crime Report from DOSS

The following list of criminal activities at Gallaudet was reported by the Department of Safety and Security from Feb. 19 to March 4 and March 18 to March 27. (DOSS did not report any criminal activity on campus between March 5 and March 17 to *On the Green*). No suspects were identified unless otherwise noted:

- 2/19—A suspect, who was identified, pulled a knife on someone at MSSD; there were no injuries. The incident will be handled administratively. —Ten light switch covers were stolen from MSSD. —Camera equipment, valued at \$638, was stolen from a dormitory room at Cogswell Hall.

Metropolitan Police are investigating.

- 2/21—A 1985 Chrysler was stolen from Hanson Plaza West. Metropolitan Police are investigating.

- 2/22—Two students were assaulted at Benson Hall by two other students, who have been identified. The incidents will be handled administratively. —A vacuum cleaner and tools were stolen from a vehicle parked at the Transportation Department lot.

- 2/26—Fifty envelopes of coffee were stolen from the KDES cafeteria. —Room 407 of College Hall was vandalized. —Damage was sustained to the door of room B-1 of Peet Hall.

- 2/27—\$20 was stolen from a dormitory room at MSSD. A suspect has been identified.

- 2/28—\$275 was stolen from room 104 of HMB.

- 3/1—A bomb threat was received at HMB; the building was evacuated.

## Information sharing guidelines distributed

Faculty members recently received a copy of a paper titled "Guidelines for Gallaudet University Information Sharing." This is a draft of a paper being developed by the University's Editorial Board. It was distributed to faculty members because it was to be shared and discussed at a Faculty Senate meeting.

Any comments, reactions, or suggestions to the paper should be sent to either Dr. Bruce White (HMB, 213 B), a faculty representative on the Editorial Board, or to Lolly Gilbert (MSSD, G-41), who chairs that committee.



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Metropolitan police and DOSS are investigating. —\$14 was stolen from a desk in the Central Utilities Building. —\$20 was stolen from a dormitory room at MSSD. —An office at Schreiber Hall was damaged.

- 3/2—A suspect has been identified in a sexual assault at MSSD. Metropolitan police are investigating. —Numerous students were in MSSD's main building when the building was closed, including one who was not enrolled and had been forbidden from entering campus. The incident will be handled administratively. —Area G09 of MSSD was vandalized. —Tires to a bicycle were flattened. —A ninth floor men's restroom at Benson Hall was vandalized.

- 3/3—A storage room at Hughes Gym was damaged.

- 3/4—A vending machine in Carlin Hall was entered and assorted candy taken. —A door was damaged in the loading dock area of Merrill Learning Center.

- 3/18—A window was broken at MSSD.

- 3/20—A Kenmore refrigerator was stolen from a Carlin Hall dormitory room. A suspect has been identified. —A wallet and contents valued at \$422 was stolen from the lobby area of Northwest Campus Main Hall.

- 3/21—A TDD was stolen from HMB. —\$60 was stolen from a Main Hall dorm room at Northwest Campus. —\$40 was stolen from a Benson Hall dorm room.

- 3/22—A bomb threat was received at HMB. The building was evacuated and Metropolitan Police responded. An investigation is continuing. —A jacket was stolen from the dining hall.

- 3/23—An attempt was made to break into a machine at the Learning Center.

- 3/24—A license plate was stolen from a vehicle parked at the Field House. —An undisclosed amount of money was stolen from an MSSD dormitory room. —Two duffel bags were stolen from a vehicle in the Zone F parking lot.

- 3/26—A Panasonic VHS video-cassette recorder valued at \$1,600 was stolen from MSSD.

## Announcements

A 10-mile walk along the C&O Canal will take place Saturday, April 14, to benefit the National Kidney Foundation. For more information, pick up a flyer at the Field House main office.

The Management Institute is presenting two seminars this month: "Quality Control Strategies for Managers" on April 18 from 1 to 5 p.m., and "Business Procurement: Win Those Contracts" on April 21 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information contact Peggy Prosser, x5900 (TDD).

## Correction

A March 19 *On the Green* article about minority students at Gallaudet incorrectly stated that enrollment figures for racial minorities at the University had fallen. According to the Office of Enrollment Services, although the goal is to increase the number of minorities enrolled here, the figures have held at 12 to 16 percent over the past five years. In addition, the figures on enrollment, and degrees awarded, reported in the article did not include nonresident aliens, an unknown number of whom are members of racial minorities.



Special education officials from China's Liaoning Province (from left) Guo Chen Li, Tian-Xia Gao, delegation leader Wei-Jian Zhao, and Hang-Fang Zheng, spent three weeks at Gallaudet and area schools studying programs.

## Educators get tips from University

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bleak one. No education was available for them, and the best they could hope for was menial labor and handouts.

Today, there are 662 special education schools across China serving 64,000 people. But a large percentage of people with disabilities still live much as they did before the day of liberation. It is the goal of the Chinese government to serve every one of them by the end of the decade.

Li said that even though the government provides free education for all people, there are areas where the level of poverty is so high and facilities are so poor that no schools now exist. Also, there are no programs for people with severely disabling conditions.

The requirements for special education teachers in China also need improving, Li said. "In America, teacher training programs have a very high level; it shows that the government here emphasizes special education."

Gallaudet's teacher training program is especially exemplary for China, Li said, adding that one of the first things that will be done when the delegation returns home is to improve their training program.

Hang-Fang Zheng, dean of studies and chief of training at the Liaoning Normal School, added, "We think the teacher training program at Gallaudet has a very wide range of offerings, especially when we see that deaf people can be the teachers of other deaf people, and also work with hearing students."

## Classified Ads

**CLASSIFIED ADS** are printed free as a service to Gallaudet faculty and staff. They must be submitted in writing only to *On the Green*, MSSD, Room G-37. Ads may be run for a maximum of two weeks, if requested and if space permits. The deadline for submitting advertisements is Friday, 10 days before the desired publication. Ads received by Friday, April 13, will appear in the April 23 issue.

**WANTED:** Outgoing person to book performances for mime and clown, will pay \$25-\$50/show, use of TDD desirable. Call Joe, 589-4732 (V).

**FOR SALE:** 12-speed, 27-in. Schwinn bike, almost new, \$175. Call Rosemary, x5416 eves., or 890-2670 (TDD) days.

**FOR SALE:** '79 Toyota Celica, 117K, good cond., \$1,500/BO. Call x5733.

**FOR SALE:** Baby clothes newborn-4 mos., almost new; maternity clothes size 14-18, good cond.; baby crib, \$80; playpen bed \$55; Graco baby swing, \$15; changing table w/baby bath and shelves, \$10; large, sturdy 9-drawer dark maple-color dresser, looks almost new, recently refinished. \$40/BO. Call Tonya, x8-5844.

**WANTED:** Azalea bushes or impatiens seeds. Call Tonya, x8-5844.

**FOR SALE:** '86 Ford Escort hatchback, standard, cassette, very dependable, exc. cond., no accidents or fender benders, runs great, make fair offer. Call Kayla, x5096.

**FOR SALE:** '88 Jeep Cherokee, 4-dr., 4-wheel drive, engine in good cond., AC, AM/FM radio, \$13,000. Call Jerry, x4321 (TDD), or Mary Lou, x5129 (TDD).

**FOR SALE:** Toshiba 1000 lap-top computer w/add-on memory for 1280KB total memory, extra usable as HardRAMdisk or expanded memory; battery-operated system weighs only 6.4 lbs., has MS-DOS in ROM, 720KB internal diskette drive, serial and parallel ports, CGA compatible monochrome LCD display; \$600. Call Jo Rackham, x5501 (V) or x5502 (TDD), or Scott Rackham, 827-9607 (V).

**WANTED:** Mature, responsible individual for private BR in Woodland Landing apt. in Lanham/Greenbelt, Md., W/D, DW, micro-

wave, \$265/mo. inc. util. Call x5485 (TDD) 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., or 794-5846 (TDD) after 6:30 p.m.

**FOR SALE:** King-size bed, 2 yrs. old, unframed, \$175; Round dining table w/glass top and 4 chairs, \$95. Call Jackie, x5351.

**FOR SALE:** '72 VW beetle w/yellow body, new engine (not rebuilt), 4 new tires, good brakes, \$1,800/BO. Call 890-2752 (TDD).

**FOR RENT:** Renovated, spacious 3-BR townhouse 1 block from Kendall Green, large basement with room that could be 4th BR, rent very reasonable. Call Mrs. Lewis, 583-4554 (V).

**FOR SALE:** '78 Ford F100 pickup truck (formerly Gallaudet truck #112), 55K mi., new tires and muffler, runs great, \$800/BO. Call Darnese Nicholson, x5533.

**WANTED:** Professional nonsmoking female seeks apt. to share or private room to rent w/kitchen privileges in home of deaf family in D.C. metropolitan area, can afford \$200/mo. plus util. or \$250/mo. inc. util. Call Doris, 786-3025 (TDD) days, or 953-7230 (TDD) after 7 p.m.

**WANTED:** Severely to profoundly deaf individuals who are good lipreaders to be subjects for research on lipreading, must be avail. 4 hrs./wk. through mid-August, experiment takes 60-70 hrs. total, subjects will be paid for their participation. Contact Sarah, x7072, or MTB Room B-3.

## Job Openings

**Some of the advertised positions may already be filled.** The list below includes only new staff and faculty openings and does not represent all jobs available. To get a recorded message describing the complete list, call x5358 or x5359 (TDD).

**UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS COUNSELOR/RECRUITER:** Recruitment Office